## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

## LISTING OF CLAIMS

## 1-34. (Cancelled)

- 35. (Currently Amended) A piano hinge defining a hinge line, the piano hinge comprising a two-way shape memory alloy (SMA) positioned along the hinge line to form a pin that at least partially twists when the two-way SMA pin changes between an austenite temperature and a martensite temperature, first and second hinge leafs defining a passage into which the two-way SMA pin fits, and a key-spline arrangement rigidly securing each respective end portion of the two-way SMA pin to the first and second hinge leafs respectively to provide for transfer of torque in both clockwise and counterclockwise directions from the two-way SMA pin to one of the hinge leafs relative to the other of said hinge leafs, whereby the piano hinge [dees not freely pivot but pivotal leafs do not pivot about the SMA pin but pivot when a torque is applied in response to the two-way SMA pin twisting as the temperature of the two-way SMA pin changes between the austenite temperature to the martensite temperature.
- 36. (Previously Presented) The piano hinge of claim 35, wherein the hinge leafs include alignable knuckles that define the passage into which the two-way SMA pin fits.
- 37. (Previously Presented) The piano hinge of claim 35, wherein the two-way SMA is configured to apply torque within a range of about 27 inch pounds and about 1740 inch pounds.
- 38. (Previously Presented) The plano hinge of claim 35, wherein the two-way SMA is configured to apply torque within a range of about 27 inch pounds and about 1010 inch pounds.

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39. (Previously Presented) The piano hinge of claim 35, wherein the two-way SMA is configured to apply torque within a range of about 1010 inch pounds and 1740 inch pounds.

- 40. (Previously Presented) The piano hinge of claim 35, wherein the two-way SMA is configured to apply torque at about 1740 inch pounds.
- (Currently Amended) A piano hinge comprising first and second hinge 41. leafs having alignable knuckles that define a passage into which a hinge pin fits, a twoway shape memory alloy (SMA) hinge pin at least partially disposed within the passage defined by the knuckles, the two-way SMA hinge pin being made of a NiTinol alloy and having at least a first tab at one end portion of the two-way SMA hinge pin rigidly secured to the first hinge leaf and at least a second tab at an opposite end portion of the two-way SMA hinge pin rigidly secured to the second hinge leaf such that the piano hinge [does not freely pivot, wherein] leaves do not pivot about the SMA pin but pivot when a torque is applied as the two-way SMA hinge pin at least partially twists when the two-way SMA hinge pin changes between an austenite temperature and a martensite temperature of the NiTinol alloy, such that torque generated by [[from]] the two-way SMA hinge pin in either a clockwise or counterclockwise direction is transferred to one of the hinge leafs relative to the other of said hinge leafs, whereby the piano hinge pivots in response to the two-way SMA hinge pin twisting as the temperature of the two-way SMA hinge pin changes between the austenite temperature and the martensite temperature.
- 42. (Previously Presented) The piano hinge of claim 41, wherein the first tab is at one end portion of the two-way SMA hinge pin and the second tab is at the other end portion of the two-way SMA hinge pin, such that the partial twisting of the hinge pin applies a torque to the first tab relative to the second tab.

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43. (Previously Presented) The piano hinge of claim 42, wherein the hinge pin rotates into an intermediate partially twisted configuration when a temperature of the two-way SMA is between the austenite temperature and the martensite temperature.

- 44. (Previously Presented) The piano hinge of claim 43, wherein the two-way SMA is configured to apply torque within a range of about 27 inch pounds and about 1740 inch pounds.
- 45. (Previously Presented) The hinge apparatus of claim 43, further comprising a device to cause the hinge pin to heat and switch the two-way SMA between at a first trained shape and a second trained shape.